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1. President Murmu lays foundation stone for PRASHAD project in Bhadrachalam and at Rudreswara Temple (Ramappa), in Telangana (Dec. 28, 2022)

The President of India Droupadi Murmu,

The President of India **Droupadi Murmu**, laid the foundation stone for the Bhadrachalam **Group of Temple's** project and the Rudreswara **(Ramappa) Temple' project** in Telangana on 28 December 2022 to be developed under the Union Tourism ministry's **PRASHAD** (National Mission on Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive) Scheme.

The **PRASHAD** scheme was launched by the Union Tourism Ministry in 2014-15 to provide assistance to the states for the integrated infrastructure development of pilgrimage and heritage tourism destinations in the country.

Development of Pilgrimage Facilities at Bhadrachalam Group of Temples'

The Bhadrachalam Group of Temples, Sri Seetha Ramchandra Swamyvari Devasthanam, is situated in the Bhadrachalam District of the state of Telangana. It is said to be 350 years old and is associated with Lord Rama with his wife Goddess Sita and brother Lakshmana.

The project has been approved by the Ministry of Tourism at an estimated cost of **Rs 41.38 Crores**.

'Development of Pilgrimage and Heritage Infrastructure of UNESCO World Heritage Site at Rudreshwara Temple (Ramappa)'

The project has been approved by the Ministry of Tourism at an estimated cost of Rs **62 Crores**.

The Ramappa temple which is located in the **Mulugu district** of Telangana is dedicated to Lord Shiva. It was built in 1213 AD by the Kakatiya rulers and has been inscribed on **UNESCO's World Heritage list** in 2021.

2. Gaya and Nalanda of Bihar selected by Union Government for development under Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme (Dec. 19, 2022)

Gaya and Nalanda of Bihar selected by Union Government

Gaya and **Nalanda** in Bihar has been included by the Government of India under the Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme. **Punaura Dham in Sitamarhi** District of Bihar has been selected for development under the PRASHAD Scheme of the Government of India.

This information was given by the Union Tourism Minister **G. Kishan Reddy** in the Lok Sabha on 19 December 2022.

Swadesh Darshan 2.0

Government of India launched Swadesh Darshan scheme in 2014-15 for integrated development of **theme based tourist circuits** for eg Buddhist circuit, Ramayana circuit, desert circuit etc. It was later revamped and re-launched as Swadesh Darshan 2.0 with the focus on developing sustainable **and responsible tourism destinations**.

The Central government provides assistance to the State /Union Territories government to develop the tourism Infrastructure.

Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive (PRASHAD)

The Government of India launched the PRASAD scheme in the year 2014-2015 under the Ministry of Tourism. This scheme focuses on developing and identifying pilgrimage sites across India for enriching the religious tourism experience. Under this scheme the Central government provides assistance to the state government.